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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

SIR:

Responsive to the Final Rejection dated June 26, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A Notice of Appeal, along with a petition for a three month extension of time and the appropriate fee, was filed in the above application on December 21, 2001.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims 1, 14, 24, 27, and 32 by replacing the identified claims with the following as indicated below (attached is an appendix showing the changes).

- 1. (Twice Amended) A composite system including a first apparatus having convertible options to functions as a printer and a reader, and an information processing apparatus to which print application software and read application software are installed, said system comprising:
- a detection device for detecting the option, selected or installed, on the first apparatus; and

launching means for automatically launching either the print application software or the read application software installed in the information processing apparatus depending upon the selected or installed option detected by said detection device, and for allowing